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CONTAINER TO STRESS CRACKING, AND THERMOPLASTIC

STRESS CRACK INHIBITOR

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Dear Sir:

Petitioner, Ecolab Inc., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware and having its primary place of business at Ecolab Center, St. Paul, Minnesota 55102, in the county of Ramsey, and the state of Minnesota represents that it is the owner of the entire right, title and interest in U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/049,452, filed on June 14, 2002 and entitled CONVEYOR LUBRICANT, PASSIVATION OF A THERMOPLASTIC CONTAINER TO STRESS CRACKING, AND THERMOPLASTIC STRESS CRACK INHIBITOR, by virtue of our assignment recorded at Reel 013014, Frame(s) 0944. Attached herewith is a Certificate under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) establishing Ecolab Inc.'s right as assignee to take action.

its successors, or assigns.

Petitioner, Ecolab Inc., hereby disclaims, except as provided below, the terminal part of the statutory term of any patent granted on the above-identified application, which would extend beyond the expiration date of the full statutory term of U.S. Patent Nos. 6,576,298 B2 and 6,427,826 B1 and hereby agrees that any patent so granted on the above-identified application shall be enforceable only for and during such period that the legal title to said patent shall be the same as the legal title to U.S. Patent Nos. 6,576,298 B2 and 6,427,826 B1, this agreement to run

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In making the above disclaimer, Petitioner does not disclaim the terminal part of any patent granted on the above-identified application that would extend to the full statutory term as presently shortened by any terminal disclaimer of United States Patent Nos. 6,576,298 B2 and 6,427,826 B1, in the event that United States Patent Nos. 6,576,298 B2 or 6,427,826 B1 expire for failure to pay a maintenance fee, is held unenforceable, is found invalid, is statutorily disclaimed in whole or terminally disclaimed under 37 CFR 1.321(a), has all claims cancelled by a reexamination certification, or is otherwise terminated prior to the expiration of its full statutory term as presently shortened by any terminal disclaimer, except for the separation of legal title stated above.

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Respectfully submitted,

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